



Illegal Suction Dredge Locations: August & September, 2009

Locations of suction dredges found on Scott, Klamath, and NF Salmon Rivers and Elk Creek after August 6, 2009 when California SB 670 went into effect, banning suction dredge mining on all rivers in the state.

Click each dredge location for photos and more info. Aerial photos by Klamath Riverkeeper/LightHawk.

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Sawyers Bar Dredge

Dredge spotted 03-SEPT-09 8:30am in vicinity of 41.297728°,-123.132807°. Reported to CalTIP 04-SEPT-2009.

Dredge has been operating for some time, often with another dredge at same location. Often operating in evening hours.



	<h3>Scott River Dredge</h3> <p>One dredge spotted 02-SEP-09 11:02am at 41.694588°, -123.055238°. Reported to CalTIP on 03-SEPT-2009.</p> <p>Single yellow dredge in center of river approx. 2.7 miles downriver from Tompink Creeks bridge on Scott River Road. (Alternate location description: approx 5.0 miles upstream from Scott Bar on Scott River Road.)</p> 	 <p>© 2009 Tele Atlas</p>
	<h3>Two Dredges on Klamath River</h3> <p>Two dredges spotted 02-SEPT-2009 11:14am at 41.802602°, -123.019614°. Previously reported to CalTIP on 8/16/09. Reported again on 9/3/09.</p> <p>Approx. 2.25 miles N of Hwy 96 &amp; Scott River Road junction on Hwy 96.</p> 	 <p>© 2009 Tele Atlas</p>
	<h3>Two More Dredges on Klamath River</h3> <p>Two dredges spotted 02-SEPT-09 11:14am at 41.805380°, -123.019241°. Previously reported to CalTIP on 8/16/09. Reported again on 9/3/09.</p> <p>Approx. 2.4 miles N of Hwy 96 &amp; Scott River Road junction on Hwy 96.</p> 	 <p>© 2009 Tele Atlas</p>



### Two Dredges on Klamath River – New 49ers Claim

Two dredges spotted 02-SEP-09 11:24am at 41.862460°, -123.269692°. Dredges at this location were previously reported to CalTIP on 8/16/09. Reported again on 9/3/09.

On river right 200 feet upstream of large parking area on the river side of Hwy 96. (Alternate location description: approx. 1.08 miles downriver from Fort Goff.) Dredges not visible from road.

Dredges are on the New 49ers Prospecting Association's Mega Hole Claims (K-15A).



### Three Dredges near Forks of Salmon

Three dredges spotted 12-AUG-2009 near , 41.263713°, -123.313048° about one mile upriver from Forks of Salmon on the NF Salmon (Sawyers Bar Road). Miners' camp along road at large pullout on SE side of road. Reported to CalTIP on 12-AUG-2009 & 13-AUG-2009.

One dredge appears to have an 8" or 10" hose. Two others have 6" hoses.


Turbidity from these dredges can be seen below the confluence with the SF Salmon, more than 1 mile downstream.




### Backpack Dredge – New 49ers Claim

Backpack dredge spotted at New 49ers SAN-6 Gold Country Placer claim at White's Gulch on 31-AUG-2009 near 41.299086°, -123.082514°. Reported to CalTIP on 8/31/09.




 **3B's Suction Dredge**


Yellow dredge spotted on 13-AUG-2009 NF Salmon at 3B's mine claim near 5.5 mile mark on Sawyer's Bar Road at 41.288202°, -123.250342°. Reported to CalTIP on 13-AUG-2009.






 **Elk Creek Dredge**

Yellow dredge spotted on Elk Creek on 12-AUG-2009 at 4pm just upstream of Five Mile Bridge near 41.747613°, -123.357337°. Reported to CalTIP on 12-AUG-2009.





 **Dredge on Klamath River**

Dredge spotted on Klamath River on 16-AUG-2009 near 41.784000°, -123.032042°. Reported to CalTIP on 16-AUG-2009.

